

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 953 - SB 809

March 11, 2019

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Specifies that a local education agency (LEA) is required to make interest and career inventories available to public middle schoolers or ninth graders to assist students in determining their interests and in making career decisions. Removes the requirement for LEAs to report summary data from interest inventories to the State Board of Education (SBE). Removes the requirement for SBE to use the summary data in determining standards for public school students. Requires each LEA to administer a career aptitude assessment to students in grade seven or grade eight. Requires the Department of Education (DOE) to identify career aptitude assessments that LEAs may administer.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (004909): Deletes and replaces language in the bill such that the only substantive change is to replace, "MyRoad™ provided by the College Board" with "College Board Career Finder," from a list of potential interest and career inventories that LEAs are required to administer.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- LEAs will use one of numerous free online aptitude assessments that are available.
- DOE will be able to identify aptitude assessments using existing resources and will not significantly increase expenditures.
- LEAs and DOE will be able to amend their policies in accordance with the provisions of this legislation during the normal course of business; therefore, any fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.
- No change to the Basic Education Program.

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CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Krista Lee Carsner". The script is cursive and fluid.

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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